

## **INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

### **REFUND VALUE RECEIPT REQUIREMENTS PROPOSED PERMANENT REGULATIONS**

#### **CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 14. Natural Resources DIVISION 2. Department of Conservation CHAPTER 5. Division of Recycling**

The Department of Conservation (Department) proposes to amend a section of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR). On January 23, 2004, the Department received a petition from Recycling Services Centers, pursuant to Government Code §11340.6, requesting that the Department undertake a rulemaking proceeding to amend current recycling center recordkeeping regulations. The petition requested the refund value receipt requirement dollar amount be increased, as the current dollar level is too low. Current regulations require recycling centers prepare and maintain copies of receipts for any purchase or donation of empty beverage containers in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) or more of refund value. With the recent increase in California Redemption Value (CRV), with the passage of AB 28 (Chapter 753, Statutes 2003), the number of receipts required to be prepared and maintained by recycling centers has increased dramatically. In addition, the increase in paperwork further delays providing service to the customer.

Section 2525 will be amended to increase the refund value receipt requirement for any purchase or donation of empty beverage containers from “fifty dollars (50.00) or more in refund value” to “one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more in refund value”. This will alleviate the amount of receipts currently being prepared and maintained by recycling centers.

#### **Subchapter 6. Recycling Centers Article 3. Accounting and Reporting Requirements**

### **SECTION 2525**

Amended Subsection 2525(a) is necessary to change the refund value receipt requirement for any purchase or donation of empty beverage containers from “fifty dollars (\$50.00) or more in refund value” to “one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more in refund value”.

Amended Subsection 2525(b) is necessary to be consistent with the changes made in Subsection 2525(a).

Amended Subsection 2525 Reference is necessary to delete an obsolete reference to Public Resources Code §14571.9. Section 14571.9 was repealed from the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act by SB 1906/Sher (Chapter 731, Statutes of 2000).